# GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT - RENEWAL AND MODIFICATION EXISTING DAIRY FACILITY with a LAND APPLICATION AREA Caballo Dairy, DP-546

#### I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issues this Discharge Permit Renewal and Modification (Discharge Permit), DP-546, to Caballo Dairy, LLC, (permittee) pursuant to the New Mexico Water Quality Act (WQA), NMSA 1978, §§ 74-6-1 through 74-6-17, and the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) Regulations, 20.6.2 and 20.6.6 NMAC.

NMED's purpose in issuing this Discharge Permit is to control the discharge of water contaminants from Caballo Dairy (dairy facility) for the protection of ground water and those segments of surface water gaining from ground water inflow, for present and potential future use as domestic and agricultural water supply and other uses, and to protect public health.

The activities which produce the discharge, the location of the discharge, and the quantity, quality and flow characteristics of the discharge are briefly described as follows:

A maximum daily discharge volume of 120,000 gallons per day (gpd) of wastewater may be discharged from the production area. Wastewater from the parlor and hospital barn flows to a concrete-lined sump and is pumped through a screen solids separator followed by a two-cell concrete-lined settling separator prior to discharge into a synthetically lined wastewater impoundment system for storage. The synthetically lined wastewater impoundment system consists of three impoundments. Wastewater is land applied by flood irrigation to up to 311 acres of irrigated cropland under cultivation. The modification consists of increasing the maximum daily discharge volume from 72,000 to 120,000 gpd. The discharge contains water contaminants or toxic pollutants which may be elevated above the standards of Section 20.6.2.3103 NMAC.

The dairy facility is located at 1 Caballo Alto Road, approximately 1.5 miles south of Arrey, in Sections 13, 14, 23 and 24, Township 17S, Range 5W, Sierra County. Ground water most likely to be affected is at a depth of approximately seven feet and had a pre-discharge total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 750 milligrams per liter.

The original Discharge Permit was issued on November 22, 1994, and subsequently renewed and/or modified on September 6, 1996, November 22, 1999, and December 8, 2005. The application consists of the materials submitted by Gary Barnett, Waste Manager, on behalf of the permittee dated January 12, 2011, and materials contained in the administrative record associated with issuance of this Discharge Permit. The discharge shall be managed in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Dairy Rule (20.6.6 NMAC) and this Discharge Permit.

Issuance of this Discharge Permit does not relieve the permittee of the responsibility to comply with the WQA, WQCC Regulations, and any other applicable federal, state and/or local laws and regulations, such as zoning requirements and nuisance ordinances.

The following acronyms and abbreviations may be used in this Discharge Permit:

Abbreviation	Explanation	Abbreviation	Explanation
Cl	chloride	NO <sub>3</sub> -N	nitrate-nitrogen
gpd	gallons per day	S	Sulfur
LADS	land application data sheet(s)	SO <sub>4</sub>	Sulfate
mg/L	milligrams per liter	TDS	total dissolved solids
NMAC	New Mexico Administrative Code	TKN	total Kjeldahl nitrogen
NMED	New Mexico Environment Department	WQA	New Mexico Water Quality Act
NMP	Nutrient management plan	WQCC	Water Quality Control Commission
NMSA	New Mexico Statutes Annotated		

#### II. FINDINGS

In issuing this Discharge Permit, NMED finds:

- 1. The permittee is discharging from a facility that meets the definition of "dairy facility" and is subject to the Dairy Rule (20.6.6 NMAC). This dairy facility meets the definition of "existing dairy facility".
- 2. The permittee is discharging effluent or leachate from the dairy facility that may move directly or indirectly into ground water within the meaning of Section 20.6.2.3104 NMAC.
- 3. The permittee is discharging effluent or leachate from the dairy facility that may move into ground water of the State of New Mexico which has an existing concentration of 10,000 milligrams per liter or less of total dissolved solids within the meaning of Subsection A of 20.6.2.3101 NMAC.
- 4. The discharge from the dairy facility is not subject to any of the exemptions of Section 20.6.2.3105 NMAC.
- 5. Data collected from on-site monitoring wells document ground water contamination attributed to one or more sources at this dairy facility. Ground water quality standards for NO<sub>3</sub>-N and TDS have been exceeded according to the criteria of Sections 20.6.2.3101 and 20.6.2.3103 NMAC.
- 6. The Discharge Permit for this facility last issued on December 8, 2005 (before the effective date of the Dairy Rule of December 31, 2011) required the wastewater impoundment system to have the capacity to store the volume of wastewater discharged at the maximum daily discharge volume for a minimum of 60 days, while preserving two feet of freeboard.

- 7. The dairy facility was existing as of the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) and measures the volume of wastewater discharged to a wastewater impoundment(s) using a totalizing flow meter installed on the discharge line(s) from all wastewater sources to the wastewater impoundment(s).
- 8. This Discharge Permit contains requirements associated with the following potential contaminant sources as identified in the application and the administrative record as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit:
  - a) Wastewater Impoundments
    - i. Lagoon 1 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - ii. Lagoon 2 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - iii. Lagoon 3 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
  - b) Stormwater Impoundments
    - i. East Runoff Pond authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - ii. Northwest Runoff Pond authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
  - c) Fields within the Land Application Area
    - i. **Field 1** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - ii. Field 2 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - iii. Field 3 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - iv. **Field 4** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - v. **Field 5** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - vi. **Field 6** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - vii. Field 7 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - viii. **Field 9** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - ix. **Field 10** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - x. **Field 11** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xi. Field 12 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xii. Field 13 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xiii. Field 14 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xiv. **Field 15** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xv. **Field 16** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xvi. **Field 17** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xvii. Field 18 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xviii. Field 19 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
      - xix. **Field 20** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
      - xx. **Field W1** authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xxi. Field W2 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.
    - xxii. Field W3 authorized for use by this Discharge Permit.

# III. APPLICABLE RULES

Sections 20.6.2.3000 through 20.6.2.3114 NMAC and Part 20.6.6 NMAC (Dairy Rule) apply to discharges specific to dairy facilities and their operations.

# IV. DISCHARGE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

The permittee is authorized to discharge water contaminants pursuant to this Discharge Permit which contains requirements authorized or specified by the Dairy Rule. The permittee shall comply with the Dairy Rule and this Discharge Permit, which are enforceable by NMED. The permittee is authorized to discharge water contaminants subject to the following requirements:

# **AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE**

- 1. The permittee is authorized to discharge up to 120,000 gpd of wastewater from the production area. Wastewater from the parlor and hospital barn flows to a concrete-lined sump and is pumped through a screen solids separator followed by a two-cell concrete-lined settling separator prior to discharge into a synthetically lined wastewater impoundment system for storage. The synthetically lined wastewater impoundment system consists of three impoundments. Wastewater is land applied by flood irrigation to up to 311 acres of irrigated cropland under cultivation.
- 2. The permittee is authorized to use the following impoundments for the following purposes in accordance with Subsection B of 20.6.6.20 NMAC.
  - a) **Lagoon 1** authorized to receive wastewater for storage prior to land application. This impoundment exists as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit and is synthetically lined with 40-mil HDPE. This impoundment is located west of the irrigation canal and northwest of the dairy office. Wastewater from this impoundment is applied to the fields located west of the irrigation canal (Fields 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7).
  - b) Lagoon 2 authorized to receive wastewater for storage prior to land application. This impoundment exists as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit and is synthetically lined with 40-mil HDPE. This impoundment is triangular-shaped and is located east of the irrigation canal, west and southwest of the corral system. Wastewater from this impoundment is transferred to Lagoon 3 for land application.
  - Lagoon 3 authorized to receive wastewater for storage prior to land application. This impoundment exists as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit and is synthetically lined with 40-mil HDPE. This impoundment is located east of the irrigation canal and Lagoon 2, west and southwest of the corral system. Wastewater from this impoundment is applied to the fields located east of the irrigation canal (Fields 9 through 20 and W1, W2 and W3).
  - d) **East Runoff Pond** authorized to collect stormwater prior to transfer to the wastewater impoundment system. This impoundment exists as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit and is synthetically lined with 40-mil HDPE. This impoundment is located east and southeast of the corral system.
  - e) **Northwest Runoff Pond** authorized to collect stormwater prior to transfer to the wastewater impoundment system. This impoundment exists as of the

effective date of this Discharge Permit and is unlined. This impoundment is located southeast of the calf pen area.

- 3. The permittee is authorized to apply wastewater and stormwater to all fields within the land application area in accordance with Subsections B, C and I of 20.6.6.21 NMAC. The land application area consists of the following fields for a total land application area of 311 acres.
  - a) **Field 1** consists of 6.3 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of the irrigation canal and south of Lagoon 1; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
  - b) **Field 2** consists of 12.3 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of the irrigation canal and west of Field 1; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
  - c) Field 3 consists of 11.2 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of the irrigation canal and south of Fields 1 and 2; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
  - d) **Field 4** consists of four acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of the irrigation canal, south of Field 2 and west of Field 3; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
  - e) **Field 5** consists of 23.3 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of the irrigation canal and south of Field 3; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
  - f) **Field 6** consists of 18.2 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of the irrigation canal, west of Field 5; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
  - g) **Field 7** consists of 13.1 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has

- received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located west of irrigation canal, south of Field 6 and west of Field 5; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 1.
- h) **Field 9** consists of 21.1 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of the irrigation canal and south of Lagoon 2; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- i) **Field 10** consists of 20.7 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of the irrigation canal and south of Lagoon 3; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- j) Field 11 consists of 25.7 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of Field 10; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- k) Field 12 consists of 26.4 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of Field 11; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3
- 1) **Field 13** consists of 10.9 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located southeast of Field 12 and south of W1; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- m) **Field 14** consists of 10.2 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of Field 13; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- n) **Field 15** consists of 15.4 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located south of Field 13 and west of Field 16; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.

- o) **Field 16** consists of 14.9 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located south of Field 14 and east of Field 15; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- p) **Field 17** consists of 14.8 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located south of Field 15 and west of Field 18; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- q) **Field 18** consists of 13.5 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located south of Field 16 and east of Field 17; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- r) **Field 19** consists of 11.6 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located south of Field 17 and west of Field 20; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- s) **Field 20** consists of ten acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located south of Field 18 and east of Field 19; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- Field W1 consists of 12.1 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of Field 12; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3
- u) **Field W2** consists of 9.3 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit. This field is located east of Field W1; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.
- v) **Field W3** consists of 6.1 acres; application is by flood irrigation. This field was authorized by the last Discharge Permit prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) to receive wastewater and/or stormwater and has received wastewater and/or stormwater as of the effective date of this Discharge

Permit. This field is located east of Field W2; wastewater is applied from Lagoon 3.

# **DAIRY RULE TRANSITION REQUIREMENTS**

- 4. The permittee shall have 90 days from the effective date of this Discharge Permit (by **DATE**) to submit all the necessary information to comply with Sections 20.6.6.10 through 20.6.6.13 NMAC, in accordance with Subsection D of 20.6.6.35 NMAC. The permittee shall submit the necessary information by completing the application form for Renewal and/or Modification located at the following address:
  - http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/gwb/NMED-GWQB-dairies.htm

The following sections of the application form for renewal and/or modification shall be completed, and the form shall be signed by the permittee and notarized prior to submission.

- a) Introduction *Applicant's Signature and Notary Certification only*
- b) Part I.A
- c) Part II.A.1
- d) Part II.A.2(a)
- e) Part II.B.1 through 7
- f) Part II.C
- g) Part II.D.3(a) and (b)
- h) Part II.E.3
- i) Part II.F
- j) Part IV.B

# ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING REQUIREMENTS

5. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of Section 20.6.6.17 NMAC and shall submit to NMED all information or documentation required by the applicable portions of Section 20.6.6.17 NMAC.

#### **OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 6. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of Sections 20.6.6.20 and 20.6.6.21 NMAC, and shall submit to NMED all information or documentation required by the applicable portions of Sections 20.6.6.20 and 20.6.6.21 NMAC.
- 7. The permittee shall provide written notice to NMED regarding any changes to the presence of lactating cows and/or the status of wastewater discharges at the facility in accordance with Subsection A of 20.6.6.20 NMAC (summarized in the table below).

Activity	Notification of Estimated Date	Verification of Actual Date	
Removal of Lactating Cows	Not required	Within 30 days of removal	
Reintroduction of Lactating Cows	Not required	Within 30 days of reintroduction	
Cessation of wastewater discharge	Not required	Within 30 days of cessation of discharge	
Recommencement of Discharge	Minimum 30 days prior to recommencement	Within 30 days of recommencement	

- 8. The permittee is authorized and required to transfer stormwater collected in the unlined stormwater impoundment(s) to the wastewater impoundment(s) in accordance with Subsection I of 20.6.6.20 NMAC.
- 9. Pursuant to Subsection D of 20.6.6.35 NMAC, the permittee shall have 90 days from the effective date of this Discharge Permit (**by DATE**) to submit documentation in accordance with Subsection M of 20.6.6.20 NMAC to demonstrate that the existing flow meter(s) meets the requirements of Subsection M of 20.6.6.20 NMAC.
- 10. The permittee is authorized to <u>use</u> the following existing flow meter(s) provided that the requirements of Subsection M of 20.6.6.20 NMAC have been met.
  - a) **Sump Discharge Meter** located on the discharge line from the solids settling separator sump to the wastewater impoundment system; measures the volume of wastewater discharged from the production area to the wastewater impoundment system.
  - b) **Lagoon 1 Land Application Meter** located on the discharge line from Lagoon 1 to the land application fields located west of the irrigation canal; measures the volume of wastewater discharged from Lagoon 1 to each field in the land application area located west of the irrigation canal (i.e., Fields 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7).
  - Lagoon 3 Land Application Meter located on the discharge line from Lagoon 3 to the land application fields located east of the irrigation canal; measures the volume of wastewater discharged from Lagoon 3 to each field in the land application area located east of the irrigation canal (i.e., Fields 9 through 20 and Fields W1, W2 and W3).
- 11. The permittee is authorized, pursuant to Subsection S of 20.6.6.20 NMAC, to land apply manure solids and composted material to the land application area. Manure solids and composted material shall be applied in accordance with the Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) required by Subsection I of 20.6.6.21 NMAC.
- 12. The permittee is authorized to blend wastewater with fresh irrigation water for land application using any of the methods provided in Subsection D of 20.6.6.21 NMAC. Fresh water may be added to a wastewater impoundment prior to land application in accordance with Subsection D of 20.6.6.21 NMAC.

- 13. The permittee shall remove crops from the following fields within the land application area using the following methods in accordance with Subsection I and J of 20.6.6.21 NMAC. Crops may be grazed prior to and between mechanical harvests, however, nitrogen removal credit shall not be taken for grazing activities unless a grazing plan is developed and submitted in accordance with Subsections I and J of 20.6.6.21 NMAC.
  - a) Field 1 crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - b) **Field 2** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - c) Field 3 crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - d) **Field 4** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - e) **Field 5** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - f) **Field 6** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - g) **Field 7** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - h) **Field 9** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - i) **Field 10** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - j) **Field 11** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - k) **Field 12** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - l) **Field 13** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - m) **Field 14** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - n) **Field 15** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - o) **Field 16** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - p) **Field 17** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - q) **Field 18** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - r) **Field 19** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - s) Field 20 crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - t) **Field W1** crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - u) Field W2 crops shall be harvested mechanically.
  - v) **Field W3** crops shall be harvested mechanically.

The permittee shall submit an application for Discharge Permit Modification to NMED for any proposed changes to the method(s) of crop removal for any field within the land application area as required by Subsection K of 20.6.6.21 NMAC.

14. The permittee shall complete the following items and submit documentation to NMED as summarized in the following table:

Item No.	Action Required and Submittal Due to NMED	Due Date	Citation
A.	Scaled Map of Dairy Facility – Updates: Following completion of any additions or changes to the dairy facility which affect the items listed in Subsection U of 20.6.6.20 NMAC, the permittee shall update and resubmit the facility map.	Within 90 days of any addition or change.	20.6.6.20.V NMAC
В.	Nutrient Management Plan:  Develop and submit annual updates to the NMP.	<b>Annually:</b> May 1	20.6.6.21.I NMAC

Item No.	Action Required and Submittal Due to NMED	Due Date	Citation
C.	Backflow Prevention:		
	<ul> <li>i) Complete installation of backflow prevention methods or devices.</li> </ul>	[90 days of effective date]	20.6.6.21.M NMAC
	ii) Submit confirmation of installation.	[180 days of effective date]	
D.	Backflow Prevention by Reduced Pressure Principle Backflow Prevention Assembly – Inspection and Maintenance:  Submit copies of inspection and maintenance records and test results for each RP device, should the device be used to satisfy the requirements of Subsection M of 20.6.6.21 NMAC.	Annually: May 1	20.6.6.21.N NMAC

# GROUND WATER MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

- 15. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of Section 20.6.6.23 NMAC and shall submit to NMED all information or documentation required by the applicable portions of Section 20.6.6.23 NMAC.
- 16. Monitoring wells shall be constructed and completed in accordance with Subsection D of 20.6.6.23 NMAC.
- 17. Monitoring wells shall be permanently identified in accordance with Subsection C of 20.6.6.23 NMAC.
- 18. Pursuant to Subsection D of 20.6.6.35 NMAC, the permittee shall have 90 days from the effective date of this Discharge Permit (**by DATE**) to submit the information required by Paragraph (6) of Subsection A of 20.6.6.23 NMAC to verify that monitoring wells in existence as of the effective date of this Discharge Permit and prior to the effective date of the Dairy Rule (December 31, 2011) are appropriate for continued use for ground water monitoring.

The permittee is authorized to use the following monitoring well(s) provided that the requirements of Paragraph (6) of Subsection A of 20.6.6.23 NMAC are met.

- a) **MW-1**, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 9 and 10; located northeast of Field 10 and south-southeast of Lagoon 3.
- 19. The permittee shall complete the following items and submit documentation to NMED as summarized in the following table:

Item No.	Action Dequired and Submitted Due to NMED	Due Date	Citation
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A.	Ground Water Monitoring – Existing Wastewater Impoundments:		
	Install the following monitoring wells within 75 feet hydrologically downgradient of the top inside edge of each existing wastewater impoundment:  i) MW-3A, hydrologically downgradient of Lagoons 2 and 3; replaces MW-3 reported as dry.  ii) MW-4, hydrologically downgradient of Lagoon 1.	[120 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.A(1) NMAC and 20.6.6.23.A(7) NMAC
B.	<u>Ground Water Monitoring – Existing Stormwater</u> <u>Impoundments:</u>		
	Install the following monitoring wells within 75 feet hydrologically downgradient of the top inside edge of each existing stormwater impoundment:  i) MW-5, hydrologically downgradient of East Runoff Pond.  ii) MW-6, hydrologically downgradient of Northwest Runoff Pond.	[120 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.A(3) NMAC
C.	Ground Water Monitoring – Existing Land Application Area:  Install the following monitoring wells within 50 feet hydrologically downgradient of the downgradient boundary of existing fields within the land application area:  i) MW-8, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 1, 3 and 5 ii) MW-9, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 2, 4, 6 and 7.  iii) MW-10, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 10, 11 and 12.  iv) MW-11, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 12 and W1.  v) MW-12, hydrologically downgradient of Fields W2, W3, 13 and 14.  vi) MW-13, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 15, 16 and 17.	[120 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.A(4) (a) NMAC
	vii) <b>MW-14</b> , hydrologically downgradient of Fields 18, 19 and 20.		
D.	Ground Water Monitoring – Upgradient:		
	Install a monitoring well, <b>MW-7</b> , hydrologically upgradient of all contamination sources at the dairy facility.	[120 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.A(5) NMAC
E.	<b>Ground Water Sampling and Reporting – Routine:</b>		
	Collect and analyze ground water samples quarterly from all monitoring wells identified in this Discharge Permit. Sampling shall be performed and results submitted in accordance with Subsection F of 20.6.6.23 NMAC.	Quarterly	20.6.6.23.G NMAC
F.	Ground Water Sampling - New Monitoring Wells:		
	Collect ground water samples from monitoring wells required to be installed within 120 days of the effective date of the Discharge Permit. Sampling shall be performed in	[150 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.H NMAC

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	accordance with Subsection F of 20.6.6.23 NMAC using the monitoring wells required to be installed in the following locations:  i) MW-3A, hydrologically downgradient of Lagoons 2 and 3.  ii) MW-4, hydrologically downgradient of Lagoon 1.  iii) MW-5, hydrologically downgradient of East Runoff Pond.  iv) MW-6, hydrologically downgradient of Northwest Runoff Pond.  v) MW-7, hydrologically upgradient of all contamination sources at the dairy facility.  vi) MW-8, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 1, 3 and 5 vii) MW-9, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 2, 4, 6 and 7.  viii) MW-10, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 10, 11 and 12.  ix) MW-11, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 12 and W1.  x) MW-12, hydrologically downgradient of Fields W2, W3, 13 and 14.  xi) MW-13, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 15, 16 and 17.  xii) MW-14, hydrologically downgradient of Fields 18, 19 and 20.		
G.	Monitoring Well Survey and Ground Water Flow Determination:  Survey monitoring wells required to be installed within 120 days of the effective date of the Discharge Permit to a USGS benchmark.	[150 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.I NMAC
H.	Monitoring Well Completion Report:  Submit a monitoring well completion report for monitoring wells required to be installed within 120 days of the effective date of the Discharge Permit. The report shall include information from all monitoring wells.	[180 days of effective date]	20.6.6.23.J NMAC
I.	Ground Water Elevation Contour Maps:  Develop and submit ground water elevation contour maps on a quarterly basis using data collected from all monitoring wells used for ground water monitoring at the dairy facility.	Quarterly	20.6.6.23.L NMAC

# **MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

20. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of Sections 20.6.6.24 and 20.6.6.25 NMAC, and shall submit to NMED all information or documentation required by the applicable portions of Sections 20.6.6.24 and 20.6.6.25 NMAC.

21. The permittee shall submit monitoring reports to NMED on a quarterly schedule that contain monitoring data and information collected pursuant to the Dairy Rule and submitted in accordance with Subsection A of 20.6.6.24 NMAC.

Quarterly monitoring reports shall be submitted according to the following schedule:

- January 1 through March 31 (first quarter) report due by **May 1**
- April 1 through June 30 (second quarter) report due by **August 1**
- July 1 through September 30 (third quarter) report due by **November 1**
- October 1 through December 31 (fourth quarter) report due by **February 1**
- 22. The permittee shall perform the following monitoring and submit to NMED the required documentation in monitoring reports as summarized in the following table:

Item No.	Action Required and Submittal Due to NMED	Due Date	Citation
A.	Wastewater Volume Measurement and Reporting:		
	Using a flow meter(s) installed on the discharge line(s), measure the volume of all wastewater discharged to the impoundment(s) authorized to contain wastewater. Submit the information.	Quarterly	20.6.6.24.C NMAC
B.	Stormwater Sampling and Reporting:		
	Collect and analyze stormwater samples on a quarterly basis from each stormwater impoundment and submit results.	Quarterly	20.6.6.24.D NMAC
C.	Flow Meter Field Calibration:		
	Perform flow meter field calibrations annually and submit a flow meter field calibration report.	Annually: May 1	20.6.6.24.E NMAC
D.	Volume of Wastewater and Wastewater/Stormwater		
	Land Applied – Measurement and Reporting:  Measure the volume of all wastewater discharges to each field within the land application area using a flow meter(s) and submit the information.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.A NMAC
E.	Wastewater to be Land Applied – Sampling and Reporting:		
	The permittee shall collect a representative wastewater sample (consisting of eight subsamples) from each wastewater or combination wastewater/stormwater impoundment. Analyze each representative wastewater sample on a quarterly basis and submit results.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.C NMAC
F.	Manure Solids – Nitrogen Content:		
	Should a permittee choose to use actual nitrogen content values of on-site manure solids for the purpose of applying to the land application area, the permittee shall collect and analyze samples annually, and submit results.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.D NMAC

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G.	Irrigation Water – Sampling, Volume Applied and Reporting:  Collect and analyze fresh irrigation water samples on an annual basis from each irrigation well associated with the land application area. Estimate the annual volume of irrigation water applied to each field from each well. Submit estimated volumes and analytical results.	<b>Annually:</b> May 1	20.6.6.25.E NMAC
H.	Fertilizer Application Reporting:  Maintain and submit a log of all additional fertilizer applied to each field within the land application area.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.F NMAC
I.	Land Application Data Sheets:  Complete and submit land application data sheets (LADS) for each field within the land application area.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.G NMAC
J.	Crop Yield Documentation:  Submit crop yield documentation and plant and harvest dates of each crop grown.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.H NMAC
K.	Nitrogen Concentration of Harvested Crop:  Determine the percent total nitrogen and dry matter of each harvested crop and submit results.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.I NMAC
L.	Nitrogen Removal Summary of Harvested Crop:  Develop and submit a nitrogen removal summary for each crop grown on each field within the land application area.	Quarterly	20.6.6.25.J NMAC
M.	Soil Sampling – Initial Event in a Discharge Permit Term:  Collect and analyze initial soil samples from each field in the land application area for the first soil sampling event during the first year following the effective date of this Discharge Permit. Submit the results.	May 1, XXXX	20.6.6.25.K NMAC
N.	Soil Sampling – Routine:  Collect and analyze routine soil samples annually from each field in the land application area beginning the year following the initial sampling event. Submit the results.	Annually: May 1	20.6.6.25.L NMAC

# **CONTINGENCY REQUIREMENTS**

23. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of Section 20.6.6.27 NMAC and shall submit to NMED all information or documentation required by the applicable portions of Section 20.6.6.27 NMAC.

# **CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS**

- 24. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of Section 20.6.6.30 NMAC and shall submit to NMED all information or documentation required by the applicable portions of Section 20.6.6.30 NMAC.
- Only upon written notification by certified mail from NMED, shall the permittee abandon the following well(s) previously used for monitoring in accordance with Subsection C of 20.6.6.30 NMAC. The permittee is <u>not</u> required to perform routine ground water sampling from the following well(s); however, NMED may collect ground water samples from the well(s) pursuant to Subsection D of 20.6.2.3107 NMAC.
  - a) MW-2, located at south-southeast of East Runoff Pond.

The well abandonment report shall be submitted to NMED within 60 days of completion of well plugging activities.

- 26. Within 120 days of the effective date of the Discharge Permit (**by DATE**), the permittee shall abandon the following well(s) previously used for monitoring in accordance with Subsection C of 20.6.6.30 NMAC.
  - a) **MW-3**, located south of the settling separator system; reported as dry.

The well abandonment report shall be submitted to NMED within 60 days of completion of well plugging activities.

# GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- 27. The permittee shall operate in a manner such that standards and requirements of Sections 20.6.2.3101 and 20.6.2.3103 NMAC are not violated.
- 28. The permittee shall retain required records for a minimum period of 10 years from the date of sample collection, measurement, report or application in accordance with Section 20.6.6.33 NMAC.
- 29. Transfer of a Discharge Permit for a dairy facility shall be completed in accordance with Section 20.6.6.34 NMAC.
- 30. To renew this Discharge Permit, the permittee shall submit an application for renewal, renewal and modification, or renewal for closure at least one year prior to the expiration date of the Discharge Permit in accordance with Section 20.6.6.10 NMAC.
- 31. In accordance with Subsection A of 20.6.6.9 NMAC, the permittee shall remit a permit fee payment equal to one-tenth of the applicable permit fee from Table 1 of Section 20.6.2.3114 NMAC on the first occurrence of August 1 after the effective date of the Discharge Permit, and annually thereafter until expiration or termination of the Discharge Permit.

# V. ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

In addition to the requirements of 20.6.6 NMAC, the permittee shall comply with the following conditions as authorized by Subsection H of 20.6.6.10 NMAC pursuant to Section 74-6-5 WQA. A hearing may be requested on additional conditions in accordance with Section 20.6.6.15 NMAC.

1. This Discharge Permit does not contain additional conditions.

# VI. PERMIT ISSUANCE

Pursuant to WQA 74-6-5(I), the term of this Discharge Permit shall be for the fixed term of five years from the effective date of the Discharge Permit.

Issued by: New Mexico Environment Department

Effective Date: [DATE]
Expiration Date: [DATE]

JERRY SCHOEPPNER

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